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1. PROVINCE EDITORIAL OF SEPTEMBER 23 IS SHARPLY CRITICAL OF RECENT REMARKS BY RUSS SCOWEN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT S UNITY TASK FORCE, ABOUT CANADA BEING PERFAPS UNGOVERNABLE AND THE POSSIBILITY OF A "SOVEREIGN ASSOCIATION" OPTION FOR QUEBEC AS ONE OF " TWO EXTREMES".

2. EDITORIAL STATES "THE STATUS QUO CAN HARDLY BE CONSIDERED AN EXTREME OPTION IN THE SENSE THAT QUEBEC SOVEREIGNTY WOULD BE" AND THAT DISCUSSION OF A SOVEREIGNTY OPTION SEEMS "ENTIRELY INAPPROPRIATE "

FOR AN INQUIRY WHOSE PURPOSE IS TO SEARCH FOR WAYS TO PRESERVE UNITY. "IF THE TASK FORCE THINKS SOVEREIGN ASSOCIATION IS A LEGITIMATE OPTION FOR MENTION AT THIS EARLY STAGE, IT SHOULD BE DISBANDED FORTHWITH."

3. THE PROVINCE QUESTIONS WHETHER THE TASK FORCE IS TAKING INTO ACCOUNT "AMPLE INDICATIONS THAT PUBLIC OPINION DOES NOT CONSIDER UNCLASSIFIED

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SOVEREIGNTY A SOLUTION WORTH CONSIDERING AND THAT ENGLISH CANADA IS NOT PREPARED TO GRANT QUEBEC SPECIAL ECONOMIC STATUS". CONCLUDING SENTENCE OF EDITORIAL STATES BLUNTLY "WITH FRIENDS LIKE THIS TASK FORCE, CANADA NEED NO ENEMIES EITHER WITHIN OR WITHOUT."

4. COPY OF EDITORIAL BEING MAILED TO EMBASSY AND EUR/CAN.
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